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OPIUM POPPY CULTIVATION

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1. MOST TURKISH NEWSPAPERS ON JULY 3 GIVE PROMINENT TREATMENT TO JULY 1 GOT DECISION TO LIFT OPIUM POPPY BAN IN SEVEN PROVINCES. HEADLINES POINT TO PRIMIN ECEVIT'S JULY 2 STATEMENT IN PARLIAMENT CALLING FOR EFFECTIVE CONTROLS OVER RESUMED OPIUM POPPY CULTIVATION AND FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE TO THIS END(REFTEL. MASS CIRCULATION HURRIYET HEADLINES THAT AMBASSADOR MACOMBER SOUGHT AND OBTAINED APPOINTMENT WITH ECEVIT IN MIDDLE OF NIGHT, AND THAT "POPPY PLANTING HAS MADE AMERICA UNESASY". MEDIUM UNCLASSIFIED

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CIRCULATION MILLIYET WRITES THAT AMBASSADOR FIRST LEARNED OF

GOT DECISION OVER RADIO, AND SOUGHT APPOINTMENT WITH PRIMIN
TO CONVEY ANXIETY FELT BY US PUBLIC AND CONGRESS ON SUBJECT.

2. JULY 3 EDITORIALS DWELL ON THEME THAT DECISION TAKEN TO
RESUME OPIUM POPPY CULTIVATION, DESPITE US THREATS TO CUT AID,
PROTECTS TURKEY'S DIGNITY AND HONOR. EDITORIALS ALSO NOTE
IMPORTANCE OF DECISION TO WELFARE OF FORMER OPIUM POPPY
GROWERS AND TO COUNTRY'S EXPORT EARNINGS. PROMINENT COLUMNIST
ABDI IPEKCI FROM MILLIYET DESCRIBES "VOTE MONGERING POLITICIANS"
IN US AS EXPLOITING OPIUM ISSUE, STATES THAT US IS NOT JUSTIFIED
IN REQUESTING CONTINUATION OF BAN AS OPPOSED TO STRICTLY CON-
TROLLED PRODUCTION, AND EXPRESSES VIEW THAT US INTERESTS WILL
SUFFER MORE THAN THOSE OF TURKEY IF THERE IS RUPTURE IN
BILATERAL
RELATIONS. JULY 1 EDITIONS OF WEEKLY NEWS MAGAZINES YANKI AND
DEVIR OBSERVE THAT MAFIA HAS BEEN AWAITING WITH ANTICIPATION
TURK DECREE ON RESUMPTION OF OPIUM POPPY CULTIVATION.

3. TURK RADIO AT 1300 ON JULY 3 GIVES DETAILED COVERAGE TO
DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN KING'S JULY 2 STATEMENT TO PRESS. RADIO
ALSO NOTES THAT SENATORS BUCKLEY AND MONDALE HAVE APPROACHED
PRESIDENT WITH REQUEST TO TERMINATE MILITARY AND ECONOMIC
ASSISTANCE TO TURKEY BECAUSE OF LIFTING OF BAN.

4. COINCIDENTALLY, MILLIYET ON JULY 3 CARRIES PHOTOGRAPH
OF SECRETARY KISSINGER AND ECEVIT TOGETHER AT JUNE 26 NATO
MEETING IN BRUSSELS AND QUOTES SECRETARY AS STATING:
"ECEVIT HEADS THE LIST OF PRIME MINISTERS I LIKE". SECRETARY
ALLEGEDLY ALSO EXPRESSED LIKING FOR FRENCH AND YUGOSLAV
PREMIERS. SOURCE OF STORY IS REPORTEDLY UPI IN TEHRAN.
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